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AN AUTOMATED TRANSFERRED FUNDS USING

TELLER MACHINE

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Applicants wish to bring to the Examiner's attention that, more than one year prior to the actual filing date of the present application, the Assignee of the present application and an agent of the Assignee used a method for performing receive transactions on a test basis at four stores of the agent. The method involved a recipient using a telephone at a store of the agent to contact a customer services representative of the Assignee to initiate a receive transaction. The recipient then provided the Assignee representative transaction information such as the name of the intended recipient and the desired amount of money to be retrieved by the recipient. If the transaction information corresponded with transaction information stored on a central database representing a completed send transaction, the Assignee representative provided the Money Transfer Control Number (MTCN), corresponding to the send transaction, to the recipient. The MTCN was also stored on the central database when the send transaction was processed. Next, the recipient provided the MTCN to an employee of the agent, and the employee entered the MTCN into a terminal in communication with the database to retrieve the transaction information. The database then transmitted to the terminal the dispense amount, and the employee dispensed the dispense amount to the recipient. Furthermore, the Assignee paid the agent the same percentage on all transactions in which the test method was used, as was paid on transactions in which prior methods were used.

While this Statement is being filed in compliance with the duty of disclosure, citation of the attached reference is not to be construed as an admission that the reference is "material" as defined under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(b).

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